

entrance examination for a beginning position in the fire department unless the person is at least 18 years of age but not 36 years of age or older.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act to Subsection (a), Section 143.023, Local Government Code, applies only to an entrance examination given on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

Passed the Senate on April 2, 2009: Yeas 31, Nays 0; passed the House on May 19, 2009: Yeas 142, Nays 3, one present not voting.

Approved May 30, 2009.

Effective May 30, 2009.

CHAPTER 274

S.B. No. 495

AN ACT

relating to creating a recognition day in honor of Dr. Hector P. Garcia.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 662, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 662.055 to read as follows:

Sec. 662.055. DR. HECTOR P. GARCIA DAY. (a) The third Wednesday of September is Dr. Hector P. Garcia Day in memory of the significant contributions to the Mexican American civil rights movement of Dr. Hector P. Garcia, a distinguished physician and a recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom and the founder of the American GI Forum, which promotes civil rights protection of Hispanic veterans and all Americans. Dr. Garcia, a World War II hero, was awarded a Bronze Star Medal with six battle stars in recognition of his meritorious service to the United States.

(b) Dr. Hector P. Garcia Day may be regularly observed by appropriate ceremonies and activities in the public schools and other places to properly commemorate the importance of the contributions made by Dr. Garcia.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

Passed the Senate on April 23, 2009: Yeas 30, Nays 0; passed the House on May 18, 2009: Yeas 137, Nays 0, one present not voting.

Approved May 30, 2009.

Effective September 1, 2009.

CHAPTER 275

S.B. No. 529

AN ACT

relating to the sale and use of certain alcoholic beverages manufactured by holders of a winery permit.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subsections (a) and (b), Section 16.01, Alcoholic Beverage Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) Except as provided by Section 16.011, the holder of a winery permit may: